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**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Hiroshi YAMANE et al.

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Application No. 10/766,910

Group 1793

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTINUOUS  
CASTING OF METALS

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 15, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of July 15, 2008,  
extended two (2) months, please amend the above-identified  
application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing  
of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.